

AT LEAST 45 DAYS BEFORE THE EFFECTIVE DATE. IF 50 CITIZENS OF THE STATE FILE A PETITION WITH THE DEPARTMENT AT LEAST 15 DAYS PRIOR TO THE EFFECTIVE DATE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED RULES AND REGULATIONS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection presently appears as Article 14B, section 8(k) of the Code, as amended by Chapter 348, Acts of 1972. The only changes made are in style.

(D) LOCAL RULES AND REGULATIONS.--A MUNICIPALITY OR OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITY MAY NOT ESTABLISH ANY RULE OR REGULATION OF A LOCAL NATURE WHICH DOES NOT CONFORM WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S RULES AND REGULATIONS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection presently appears as Article 14B, section 8(c) of the Code, as amended by Chapter 348, Acts of 1972. The only changes made are in style.

(E) ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR RULES AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING VESSEL EQUIPMENT OR OPERATION.--ON ANY PROPOSED RULE OR REGULATION AFFECTING THE EQUIPMENT OR OPERATION OF ANY VESSEL SUBJECT TO THIS SUBTITLE, THE SECRETARY SHALL SOLICIT THE ADVICE AND OPINIONS OF OFFICIALS OF REPRESENTATIVE BOATING ASSOCIATIONS, YACHT CLUBS, AND LOCAL, STATE, OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS OR OFFICIALS, HAVING KNOWLEDGE OR EXPERIENCE WITH THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE PROPOSED RULES AND REGULATIONS. THESE REPRESENTATIVES AND OFFICIALS SERVE AS AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE SECRETARY TO REVIEW THE PROPOSED RULES AND REGULATIONS.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection presently appears as Article 14B, section 8(d) of the Code, as amended by chapter 348, Acts of 1972. The only changes made are in style.

8-705. WATERWAYS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS.

(A) AUTHORITY OF GOVERNING BODY TO ESTABLISH DISTRICT.--A GOVERNING BODY MAY ESTABLISH AND DESIGNATE AREAS OF LAND OR WATER WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION AS WATERWAYS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS, SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection presently appears as Article 14B, section 12B(a) of the Code. The only changes made are in style.